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SUBJ: NEW ENGLISH-LANGUAGE NEWSPAPER "INDONESIA TIMES" APPEARS

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1. "INDONESIA TIMES," NEW ENGLISH-LANGUAGE DAILY, BEGAN PUBLICATION MAY 2 AS SUCCESSOR TO "JAKARTA TIMES," WHICH WAS BANNED AFTER JANUARY 15 JAKARTA RIOTS. ACCORDING RELIABLE PRESS SOURCE, MAJORITY CONROL OF NEW "TIMES" HELD BY MINISTER OF INFORMATION MASHURI "AND FRIENDS"(40 PERCENT) AND GOVERNMENT NEWS AGENCY ANTARA (29 PERCENT). THIS SHOULD ENSURE ENTHUSIASTICALLY PRO-GOVERNMENT EDITORIAL POLICY. REMAINDER OF STOCK HELD BY ZAIN EFFENDI, PART-WONER AND MANAGING EDITOR OF OLD "JAKARTA TIMES."

2. MANAGING EDITOR OF NEW "TIMES" IS HENDRO, FORMER ANTARA CORRESPONDENT IN WEST GERMANY, AND ANTARA WILL REPORTEDLY HAVE MAJOR ROLE IN RUNNNG THE PAPER. NEW EDITOR IN CHIEF IS DJAMAL ALI AN APPOINTED GOLKAR MEMBER OF PARLIAMENT REPRESENTING LAWYERS "FUNCTIONING GROUP." WITH FEW EXCEPTIONS STAFF IS OLD "JAKARTA TIMES" GROUP.
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3. NEW "INDONESIA TIMES" APPEARS TO BE CARBON COPY OF
OLD "JAKARTA TIMES", EXCEPT FOR OBSEQUIOUS EDITORIALS IN
EARLY ISSUES PRAISING FREEDOM IN INDONESIA AND
WISDOM OF GOVERNMENT'S PRESS POLICIES. REAPPEARANCE OF
"TIMES" IN THIS NEW FORM DISPORVES STATEMENT BY MINISTRY
OF INFORMATION SOURCE (REPORTED REFTEL) THAT THERE WOULD
BE NO NEW ENGLISH-LANGUAGE PAPERS FOLLOWING CLOSURE OF
OLD "JAKARTA TIMES."
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